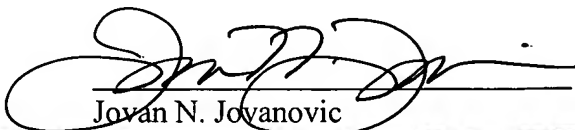




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PETITION FOR THREE MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

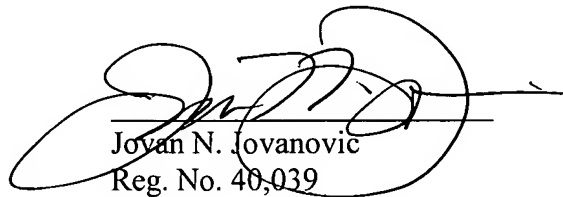
Dear Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant respectfully requests an extension of the period in which to file the response to the Office Action having an Official mailing date of September 12, 2005, relative to the above-identified patent application, for an additional three months, from December 12, 2005, up to and including March 13, 2006.

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.136, Applicant respectfully submits that a response was originally required to be filed on or before December 12, 2005, a period of three months from the mailing date of the Office Action; that the above-identified patent application is not involved in an interference proceeding; and that Applicant hereby submits a check in the amount of \$1,020.00 for payment of the extension fee, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(3). Accordingly, Applicant petitions for acceptance of the presently requested three month extension of time.

Respectfully submitted,

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